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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Appln. No. : 10/008,603  
Applicant : Stefan Miersch  
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Title : METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR PRODUCING  
METHANE GAS  
TC/A.U. : 1764  
Examiner : Thanh P. Duong  
Confirmation No. : 9226  
Docket No. : 000594-126753

Amendment dated May 5, 2004  
Reply to Office Action of April 15, 2004

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## AMENDMENT

In response to the Office Action of April 15, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Election begins at Page 5.

Remarks begin on page 6 of this paper.